Large aperture transmission window

Background

NASA desires to procure a large aperture transmission window to be used in a mobile laser remote sensing experiment. The window will permit a 0.6m aperture telescope to observe the sky. The window may be subject to various weather conditions such as rain and falling debris.

Physical Specifications

Diameter: 26.25"

Clear Aperture : 25" minimum

Thickness: sufficient to meet the optical transmission requirements

Central hole: 6"

Corning 7980 fused silica or equivalent Grade "A" bubble class 1 or equivalent

Optical Transmission requirements

The distortion of a transmitted plane parallel beam shall be no more than \pm 25 microradians from purely parallel.

Optical Coating

As options please quote for coating either one or both sides with an anti-reflection coating with the following specs:

Rmax < 0.7%, Ravg < 0.3% from 350 - 550 nm AOI 0 degrees

Testing

The manufacturer should verify that the transmission properties of the window meet the design requirements and provide documentation of this fact. The window may be tested in a vertical (as opposed to horizontal) configuration if necessary.

Mounting

For reference a candidate mount is shown: window to be supported continuously around the edge with an O-ring centered at 0.25" inset from the outer circumference of the window.

